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EXPEDITED PROCEEDURE-RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 21, 2008 in the abovecaptioned case.

No Amendments to the Claims have been made in this paper.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.